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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please AMEND claims 6, 21 and 24 as shown below.

The following is a complete list of all claims in this application.

1. (Withdrawn) A liquid crystal display, comprising:

a substrate;

a black matrix formed on the substrate;

a plurality of color filters formed on the substrate and neighboring each other, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the black matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat central portion toward the neighboring color filters; and

a common electrode formed on the plurality of color filters.

- 2. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 1, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the black matrix.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 2, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.

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4. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 2, wherein the peripheral portion

of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color

filter.

5. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 1, wherein the plurality of color

filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter spaced apart from the first color filter

with a predetermined distance therebetween.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for fabricating a liquid crystal display, the

method comprising a step of:

sequentially forming a plurality of color filters neighboring each other on a substrate,

each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the a black

matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat

central portion toward the neighboring color filters.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, wherein the step of sequentially

forming the plurality of color filters comprises the steps of:

forming a color filter material over the substrate; and

patterning the color filter material by using a mask having a transparent pattern, a

semitransparent pattern and an opaque pattern,

wherein the semitransparent pattern is used for forming the peripheral portion of each

color filter.

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- 8. (Withdrawn) A liquid crystal display, comprising:
- a substrate;
- a plurality of gate lines formed on the substrate;
- a plurality of data lines crossing over the gate lines;
- a plurality of pixel regions defined by the plurality of gate lines and the plurality of data lines;
  - a thin film transistor formed at each pixel region;
- a plurality of color filters, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the data lines and thinner than the central portion;
- a plurality of contact holes formed in the plurality of color filters for exposing the drain electrodes; and
  - a plurality of pixel electrodes connected to the drain electrodes through the contact holes.
- 9. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 8, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the data lines.
- 10. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 9, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 10, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color filter.

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12. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 8, wherein the second color filter is spaced apart from the first color filter with a predetermined distance therebetween.

13. (Withdrawn) A method for fabricating a liquid crystal display, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a plurality of gate lines on a substrate;

forming a plurality of data lines on the substrate, wherein the plurality of gate lines and the plurality of data lines define a plurality of pixel regions;

forming a thin film transistor in each pixel regions;

sequentially forming a plurality of color filters, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the data lines and thinner than the central portion;

forming a plurality of contact holes in the plurality of color filters to expose drain electrodes of the thin film transistors; and

forming a plurality of pixel electrodes connected to the drain electrodes through the contact holes.

14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein the step of sequentially forming the plurality of color filters comprises the steps of:

forming a color filter material over the substrate; and

patterning the color filter material by using a mask having a transparent pattern, a semitransparent pattern and an opaque pattern,

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wherein the semitransparent pattern is used for forming the peripheral portion of each color filter.

15. (Withdrawn) A liquid crystal display, comprising:

a substrate;

a black matrix formed on the substrate;

a plurality of color filters formed on the substrate and neighboring each other, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion interfacing with the flat central portion and entirely overlapped by the black matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat central portion toward the neighboring color filters; and a common electrode formed on the plurality of color filters.

- 16. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 15, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the black matrix.
- 17. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 16, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 16, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color filter.

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19. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display of claim 15, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter spaced apart from the first color filter

with a predetermined distance therebetween.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, the method further comprising

steps of:

forming a plurality of gate lines on the substrate;

forming a plurality of data lines on the substrate, wherein the plurality of gate lines and

the plurality of data lines define a plurality of pixel regions;

forming a thin film transistor in each pixel region, the thin film transistor comprising a

source electrode, a drain electrode and a gate electrode; and

forming a pixel electrode in each pixel region, the pixel electrode connected to the drain

electrode.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the plurality of color

filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter, the second color filter neighboring

and overlapping the first color filter over the data line.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the peripheral portion of

the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, the method further comprising the

steps of:

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forming a black matrix on the substrate; and forming a common electrode on the plurality of color filters.

- 24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter, the second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the black matrix.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.